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Bioenergy Association of California









































VESTBIOFUELS

Westhoff, Cone & Holmstedt





Market Opportunity in California









- More than 500 WWTFs, 278 landfills, 1600 dairies in CA
- 16 million tons/year organic waste is landfilled in CA
- CA could produce 500 Million to 1 Billion diesel gallon equivalents per year from biomethane and organic waste
- Very low- and carbon-negative transportation fuels

BENEFITS OF FUELS FROM ORGANIC WASTE

- Lowest Carbon Fuels Available Often carbon negative
- Help reduce petroleum dependence, air and water pollution, greenhouse gas emissions
- Reduce landfilling and help meet California's 75% waste diversion goal
- Reduce toxic air contaminants, environmental justice impacts from diesel pollution
- Provide jobs and economic development in every region of the state



Fuels from Wastewater Treatment Facilities

- WWTF's could produce 53 million gallons of low-carbon fuels per year
- With co-digestion, could produce
 >150 million gallons per year
- Fuels from Large WWTF's are carbon negative (-65.3 CO2e/MJ)
- Transportation fuels from small to medium WWTF's are ultra lowcarbon (11.5 grams CO2e/MJ)



Fuels from Other Organic Waste Sources



 Diverted organic waste can produce 168 million gallons of carbon negative fuels





Landfill gas can produce
 121 million gallons

Dairy waste can produce 184 million gallons

CHALLENGES TO BIOMETHANE DEVELOPMENT

- Uncertainty about long-term policy context = difficulty securing financing
- Pipeline access and costs
- Outdated agency rules CEC and CalRecycle requirements
- Permitting timelines and uncertainty





Opportunities to Expand Bioenergy



- AB 118 / AB 8 Funding for Clean Fuels, including Biofuels
- AB 1900 New Pipeline Biogas Standards
- Cap & Trade Revenues
- Policies to Reduce Landfilling of Organic Waste – AB 1826 (Chesbro)
- Green Credit Bank to Guarantee Low Carbon Fuel Credits

<u>Clean Fuels and Alternative</u> <u>Transportation</u>

- Includes \$20 million per year for biofuels – not enough!!
- \$9 million for natural gas vehicle deployment
- •\$15 million for medium and heavy duty advanced vehicle demonstration
- \$1.5 million for natural gas fueling infrastructure



<u>AB 1900 – New Pipeline Standards</u>





- AB 1900 intended to facilitate pipeline biogas injection
- Standards for 12 constituents of concern for public health
- 5 additional constituents of concern for pipeline integrity
- CPUC will maintain 990 BTU heating value
- Second phase of proceeding will address cost allocation and interconnection issues

Cap & Trade Revenues



- Governor's Proposed Budget for 2014-15 Includes:
- •\$30 million for diverted organic waste composting and AD
- \$20 million for dairy and agricultural reductions
- •\$200 million for clean vehicle infrastructure

Green Credit Reserve (AB 2390)

- AB 2390 would establish a Green Credit Reserve
- Provides long-term price certainty and market for LCFS credits
- Will enable project developers to secure financing
- State will contract to buy LCFS credits during project development, but only purchase when fuels are sold and credits produced





THANK YOU!!



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